

Orchid 'Maxillaria tenuifolia' (Orchid96)

Maxillaria tenuifolia

€ 27.16

Not only the flowers, but also the leaves give the orchid Maxillaria tenuifolia its beautiful appearance. They are lime coloured, narrow, long and grow from thickened bulbs shaped like an almond. Maxillaria tenuifolia has a terracotta colour with a spotted white lip in the same colour. This orchid from Central America is easy to take care of and spreads a delicious coconut scent.



Plant type:



flowering plant

Place:



indoor

Adult width:



10 cm

Light:



no direct sun

Watering:



normal

Araflora info



botanical

Product info

Maxillaria tenuifolia is found in nature in Mexico, Honduras, Belize, El Salvador, Guatemala and Nicaragua growing on trees at altitudes up to 1.500 meters. The flowers of this orchid have a deep red colour, which give it a striking appearance. The lip is white with red spots, contrasting it beautifully. It is probably not surprising that Maxillaria tenuifolia is often called 'Coconut pie orchid'. Each flower stem carries one flower. The leaves grow from thick oval bulbs. They are quite fragile, but extremely beautiful.

Height:

5 cm



Width:

5 cm



Adult height:

40 cm



Adult width:

10 cm



Flower period:

all year



Product:

plant



Plant type:

flowering plant



Growth habit:

climbing



Growth habit:

epiphytical



Properties:

limited



Growth rate:

normal



Araflora info:

botanical



Natural habitat:

South America



Altitude range:

0-1000 m



Plantcare

This orchid is relatively easy to take care of. With the proper humidity of at least 50% it is even possible to keep *Maxillaria tenuifolia* on your windowsill. The ideal temperature is around 22°C. During the night it should be slightly colder to stimulate the production of flowers. The temperature should never drop below 10°C or rise above 30°C. *Maxillaria tenuifolia* likes a light spot, but should be kept out of direct sunlight to prevent it from drying out. Airflow is very important to prevent infections and disease. Water the plant four to five times a week using rainwater or distilled water, to prevent the accumulation of minerals in the roots. During winter you should give the substrate time to dry in between watering sessions. Orchid-mix is a suitable substrate, but you can also attach *Maxillaria tenuifolia* to a piece of bark. You can find this and other components in our 'Plant Accessories' section. You can add plant nutrition every now and then. Old flowers can be cut from the plant.

Care:
normal



Place:
indoor



Place:
artificial lighting



Light:
no direct sun



Light:
semi sun



Artificial light height:
10-30cm



Fertilize:
low



Maintenance:
prune dead stalks



Watering:
normal



Watering tips:
free draining mixture



Watering tips:
not standing in water



Watering tips:
water spraying



Air humidity at day:
60-90%



Air humidity at night:
70-100%



Air movement:
normal



Temperature max:
30 °C



Temperature min:
15 °C



Soil ph:
< 5-7>



Soil type:
open

